

**REMARKS**

This communication accompanies the filing of an RCE and is in response to the Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due dated 23 May 2003. Claim 27 is amended to more accurately disclose the subject matter which Applicant defines as the invention. Claim 27 is amended to include the language "a leuD subunit of an enzyme." Support for the amendment to the claim may be found in the specification as filed, see for example, page 8, lines 21-22.

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In view of the foregoing, examination on the merits and allowance of the above-referenced application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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